

Appendix A



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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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David Gardner
Office of Environmental Services
Maine Dept. of Transportation
16 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Mr. Gardner:

This is in reference to your proposal develop improved vehicular access between Route 9 and Route 1A at Holden, Maine.

Based on presentations at several monthly interagency meetings with your staff and Federal and State regulatory and resource agencies, we have determined that the basic project purpose of the project is to provide for the safe and efficient flow of east-west traffic and shipment of goods from Brewer (I-395) to Eddington (Route 9), Maine for current and projected traffic volumes. This will be used as the "basic project purpose" in determining compliance with the 404(b)(1) guidelines.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Jay Clement at 207-623-8367 at our Manchester, Maine Project Office.

Sincerely,

Christine A. Godfrey
Chief, Regulatory Division

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